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STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF: : Administrative Action

STEPHEN BODNAR, JR., D.D.S.

ORDER ENTERING DEFAULT

AND

TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY IN THE

IMPOSING SANCTIONS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry by a Notice of Motion for Enforcement of Litigant's Rights and Suspension of License by Kathy Rohr, Deputy Attorney General, against Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. (hereinafter, sometimes "respondent'). The motion papers filed on August 26, 1991 alleged that respondent had failed to comply with the terms and conditions of a consent order filed with the Board on February 7, 1991 which required, among other things, that respondent successfully complete 20 hours of continuing education within six (6) months of the entry date of the order. As of the date of filing of the motion no list of courses had been submitted to the Board for prior approval and no documentation proving the successful completion of course work has been received by the Board.

A hearing in this matter was held on October 2, 1991. Deputy Attorney General Kathy Rohr appeared on behalf of the complainant. Respondent failed to appear. Service was effected upon the Respondent by certified mail, return receipt requested pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:1-7.1. Respondent acknowledged receipt of

the Notice of Motion by signing the return receipt (S-1).

The Board conducted its deliberations in Executive Session on October 2, 1991 and announced its decision in Public Session on that date. This order memorializes the Board's decision announced in Public Session on October 2, 1991.

In consideration of the record herein, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. is a licensed dentist in the State of New Jersey and has been a licensee during all times pertinent hereto.
- 2. The Notice of Motion for Enforcement of Litigant's Rights and Suspension of License was served on Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. by certified mail, return receipt requested. Dr. Bodnar acknowledged receipt of the Notice of Motion by signing the return receipt.
- 3. Dr. Bodnar failed to file any response in any manner whatsoever to the Notice of Motion filed herein.
- 4. Dr. Bodnar failed to appear at the hearing convened on October 2, 1991.
- 5. Dr. Bodnar having failed to file an response to the Notice of Motion or appear at the hearing, the allegations in the Motion and supporting documents are deemed admitted, to wit: On February 7, 1991 a Consent Order was filed with the Board against Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. This Order required, among other things, that respondent successfully complete 20 hours of

continuing education within six (6) months of the entry date of the Order. As of the date of the hearing on the motion no list of courses has been submitted to the Board for prior approval and no documentation proving the successful completion of course work has been received by the Board.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Dr. Bodnar received sufficient notice of the charges against him and was afforded an opportunity to be heard on those charges.
- 2. Dr. Bodnar's failure to successfully complete 20 hours of continuing education by August 7, 1991, which is six months from the entry date of the Consent order filed with the Board on February 7, 1991 constitutes professional misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

IT IS ON THIS DAY OF 15 1991,

HEREBY ORDERED THAT;

- A default be and is hereby entered against Stephen
 Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S.
- 2. The license of Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey is hereby suspended until November 6, 1991 at which time the Board will entertain an application by Dr. Bodnar for reinstatement of his license. If Dr. Bodnar fails to appear at the hearing on November 6, 1991 his license will continue to be suspended.
- 3. This order is effective upon entry. It shall be personally served on Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S., by a

representative of the Board. Dr. Bodnar shall surrender any and all wall certificates including but not limited to, his dentistry license, D.E.A. registration and State C.D.S. registration to the Board representative who serves this Order upon him. In the event that personal service of this Order cannot be effected, this Order shall be served on Dr. Bodnar by both regular and certified mail, return receipt requested to his last known address. In that instance, Dr. Bodnar shall submit any and all wall certificates, as above, to the Board of Dentistry at 124 Halsey Street, sixth floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

4. In the event that Stephen Bodnar, Jr., D.D.S. fails to comply with any provision of this Order, the Attorney General is authorized to pursue whatever remedies are available in the Superior Court of New Jersey to enforce this Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

William Cinotti, President